

**MINUTES OF THE
PUBLIC UTILITIES & TECHNOLOGY STANDING COMMITTEE
Room 225 - State Capitol Building
February 10, 2004**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Rep. Stephen H. Urquhart, Chair
Rep. Glenn A. Donnelson, Vice Chair
Rep. Sheryl L. Allen
Rep. Ralph Becker
Rep. Chad E. Bennion
Rep. Brent H. Goodfellow
Rep. Ty McCartney
Rep. Michael E. Noel
Rep. Gordon E. Snow
Rep. Michael R. Styler
Rep. David Ure

MEMBERS ABSENT: Rep. Greg J. Curtis

STAFF PRESENT: Richard North, Policy Analyst
Cherri White, Committee Secretary

NOTE: A list of visitors and a copy of handouts are filed with the committee minutes.

Representative Donnelson called the meeting to order at 4:10 P.M. and called for a motion to approve the minutes of February 4, 2004.

MOTION: Representative Ure moved to approve the minutes of February 4, 2004. The motion passed unanimously with Representatives Allen, Curtis, McCartney, Noel, and Styler absent for the vote.

Representative Donnelson informed the committee that H.B. 216 would not hear the bill at this meeting.

H.B. 145 Approval Required for Disposal of Radioactive Waste (*Rep. S. Urquhart*)

The sponsor introduced the bill and explained its intent. Representative Urquhart also addressed several proposed amendments that had been suggested by individuals. (see handout)

Bill Sinclair, Deputy Director, Department of Environmental Quality, addressed questions from the committee.

Speaking in favor of the bill:

Claire Geddes, Utah Legislative Watch
Jeff Salt, Audubon

Lisa Watts-Baskin, Concerned Citizen
Jason Groenewold, HEAL Utah

Speaking against the bill:

Tim Barney, Vice President, Envirocare
Blaine Howard, Concerned Citizen
Tye Rogers, Envirocare
Tom Bingham, Utah Manufacturers Association

MOTION: Representative Allen moved the amend:

1. Page 2, Line 46: After Line 46 insert "(d) "Special nuclear material" has the same meaning as defined in the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, 42 U.S.C. 2014."
2. Page 3, Line 83: After "amendment.];" delete "or"
3. Page 4, Line 92: After "disposed of" insert "; or (iii) special nuclear material"

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MOTION: Representative Bennion moved to amend:

1. Page 2, Line 35: After line 35 insert "(b) "Class A low-level radioactive waste" means low-level radioactive waste, as defined in Subsection 19-3-102(8), which is not class B and class C low-level radioactive waste, as defined in Subsection 19-3-102(4)."

Renumber remaining sections accordingly

2. Page 4, Line 92: After line 92 insert "(5) Notwithstanding Subsection (4)(c)(ii), a radioactive waste facility which, prior to January 1, 2004, has received a radioactive waste license to receive, transfer, store, decay in storage, treat, or dispose of class A low-level radioactive waste, is not subject to the requirements of Subsections (3)(c) and (d) for any application to amend the existing license if the application requests approval to receive, transfer, store, decay in storage, treat, or dispose of class A low-level radioactive waste."

Renumber remaining sections accordingly

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MOTION: Representative Ure moved to adjourn. The motion passed 7-4-1 with Representatives Allen, Bennion, Noel, Snow, Styler, and Donnelson voting in favor of the motion; Representatives Becker, Goodfellow, McCartney and Urquhart voting against the motion and Representative Curtis absent for the vote. The meeting adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

Rep. Stephen H. Urquhart, Chair